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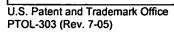
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| THE REPLY FILED 22 August 2005 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or or this application, applicant must timely file one of the follow places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Not a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliant time periods: | n the same day as filing a Notice of wing replies: (1) an amendment, aff otice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in o | Appeal. To avoid aba fidavit, or other evider compliance with 37 C | rce, which FR 41.31; or (3) | | | | | |
| a) X The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection. | | | | | | | | |
| The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN | | | | | | | | |
| TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f). xtensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee | | | | | | | | |
| nave been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of exunder 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office late may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b) NOTICE OF APPEAL | shortened statutory period for reply orig r than three months after the mailing da | inally set in the final Offi | ce action; or (2) as | | | | | |
| 2. The Notice of Appeal was filed on A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a). | | | | | | | | |
| AMENDMENTS | F | | | | | | | |
| 3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, | but prior to the date of filing a brief | , will <u>not</u> be entered b | ecause | | | | | |
| (a) They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below); | | | | | | | | |
| (b) ☐ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below | • • | | | | | | | |
| (c) ☑ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or | | | | | | | | |
| (d) They present additional claims without canceling a | corresponding number of finally rej | ected claims. | | | | | | |
| NOTE: See Continuation Sheet. (See 37 CFR 1.1 | 16 and 41.33(a)). | • | | | | | | |
| 1. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324). | | | | | | | | |
| 5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s) | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | | | | | | |
| Newly proposed or amended claim(s) <u>1-3,6,7,11-13,15,1</u> amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s). | 16 and 20-25 would be allowable it: | submitted in a separa | te, timely filed | | | | | |
| 7. For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) how the new or amended claims would be rejected is pro The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: | | ll be entered and an e | explanation of | | | | | |
| Claim(s) allowed: <u>1-3,6,7,11-13,15,16 and 20-25</u> . Claim(s) objected to: | | | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) rejected: <u>5,14,17-19,26 and 27</u> . | | | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: | | | | | | | | |
| AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE | st before or on the date of filling a N | | | | | | | |
| 3. The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, be because applicant failed to provide a showing of good an was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e). | | | | | | | | |
| The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessar | overcome all rejections under appea | al and/or appellant fai | ls to provide a | | | | | |
| 10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER | • | | • | | | | | |
| The request for reconsideration has been considered busee item 3, above. | | | nce because: | | | | | |
| 2. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s). (PTO/SB/08 or PTO-1449) Paper No(s). | | | | | | | | |
| 13. Other: | 7 | 9 (m.) | W_ | | | | | |
| | | Brian E. Miller | | | | | | |
| | • | Primary Examiner | | | | | | |



Continuation Sheet (PTO-303)

Continuation of 3. NOTE: the proposed language to claim 17, would require further consideration and/or search, since that limitation in that claim has not been considered before.